

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 922

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of John Calvin Henry of
Kingston, Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of
the passing of John Calvin Henry; and

WHEREAS, a very special young man, John Calvin Henry was the son of Jim Henry,
Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, and
Patricia Arp Henry; and

WHEREAS, those closest to him said he taught them patience and how to really love
others; John said his best friend was God and he believed he was placed here on Earth to teach
people how to love one another and to practice kindness; and

WHEREAS, fond of music, especially Elvis, John Calvin Henry also liked watching
shows which featured Larry the Cable Guy and loved listening to his album of Minnie Pearl,
especially enjoying the parts when she would holler "How-DEE"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Henry was named an Honorary Deputy Commissioner for the
Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; and

WHEREAS, a creative young man who wrote the poem, "My Dream," he was deeply
devoted to his family and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest
order; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his parents, Mr. Henry is survived by his sister, Liesa M.
Henry, brother, James M. Henry, Jr., two grandmothers, Millie Harvey and Lorene Henry, and
his special friends, Kimberly Hensley, David Wombles, Gina Moore, Jessica Hicks, Danette
Wombles, and Sarah Sands; and

WHEREAS, John Calvin Henry leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity
in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his
chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of John Calvin Henry, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of John Calvin Henry.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.